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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Confirmation No. 7453
Gary K. Michelson)	
Serial No.: 09/457,228)	Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: December 8, 1999)	Examiner: B. Snow
For: SPINAL IMPLANT SURFACE)	
CONFIGURATION)	

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a reply to the Office Action dated November 26, 2003 in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☒ Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the above office action.
- ☒ A Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed.

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